



TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY HEALTH SCIENCES CENTER
Senate Resolution 23.22

(Stating the sentiments of the TTUHSC Student Senate congratulating the TTUHSC School of Health Professions on its 40th anniversary of delivering holistic student-centered education and cultivating educational experiences in an interprofessional environment.)

WHEREAS, TTUHSC School of Health Professions was established in 1983, then known as the School of Allied Health, with Robert Cornesky, SCD, serving as the founding dean and 19 students in the inaugural class¹; and,

WHEREAS, TTUHSC School of Health Professions provides a diverse and inclusive student-centered learning environment for over 1,900 students on four campuses: Amarillo, Lubbock, Midland, and Odessa, along with distance learning; and,

WHEREAS, TTUHSC School of Health Professions offers 21 bachelor, master, and doctorate degree programs and six graduate certificate options across five discipline areas that provide careers in critical areas of healthcare; and,

WHEREAS, TTUHSC School of Health Professions has historically provided healthcare workers to the rural areas of West Texas; and,

WHEREAS, TTUHSC School of Health Professions offers a master's degree in Physician Assistant program that focuses on primary care and family medicine, providing high-quality, patient-centered health care for communities in West Texas and beyond; and,

WHEREAS, TTUHSC School of Health Professions offers programs that integrate telehealth training into clinical curriculums, such as the Clinical Mental Health Counseling and Addiction Counseling, which was one of the first counseling education programs in the United States to offer such training; and,

WHEREAS, TTUHSC School of Health Professions promotes an encouraging environment for advancing scholarly research among faculty and students that has resulted in 212 publications, 628 presentations, and 130 collaborations; and,

¹Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center. (2022, June 15). *School of Health Professions*. Home. <https://www.ttuhschool.edu/health-professions/default.aspx>

WHEREAS, TTUHSC School of Health Professions offers competitive programs with a 93% licensure first-time pass rate that are ranked highly, such as the Occupational Therapy program ranking 23rd and four other programs in the top 100 in the United States²; and, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED that the TTUHSC Student Senate recognizes the TTUHSC School of Health Professions, its faculty, and staff for excellence in education, research, and service to the communities of West Texas and beyond, on the occasion of the TTUHSC School of Health Professional's 40th Anniversary; and therefore,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution be spread upon the Journal and that copies be sent to **Lori Rice-Spearman, Ph.D.**, President of Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center, **Darrin D'Agostino, D.O., MPH, MBA.**, Provost and Chief Academic Officer, **Dawndra Sechrist, OTR, Ph.D.**, Dean of TTUHSC School of Health Professions, **Joan Brunet, PT, DPT.**, Amarillo Regional Dean of TTUHSC School of Health Professions, **Deborah Edwards, PT, DPT.**, Odessa Regional Dean of TTUHSC School of Professions, **Christina Robohm-Leavitt, MS, PA-C.**, Midland Regional Dean of TTUHSC School of Health Professions, **Arianna Flores**, Editor-in-Chief of *The Daily Toreador*, and the faculty, staff, and students of Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center.

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²Gollahon, K. (2023, May 16). *U.S. News & World Report ranks TTUHSC among best graduate schools for 2024*. TTUHSC. <https://dailydose.ttuhsc.edu/2023/may/us-news-world-report-ranking.aspx>